

## BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

### ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

#### NAPOLEON'S FUTURE DESTINATION.

Plymouth, England, Aug. 2, 1815. On Monday the future destination of Bonaparte was officially communicated to him and his general officers by Lord Viscount Keith and Sir Henry Bunbury. Under the Secretary of State for the War Department which the despot heard with grief, of the most acute description, exclaiming inarticulately that his wish had been and was to domicile in England; under any surveillance his government might think proper, but he would never be sent to St. Helena alive, and publicly declaring that he would be removed from the Bellerophon he would have himself shot through the head by his marshals.

Magnanimous hero! If so fond of dying, why did he not meet death in the field of battle, the most proper place for the exit of a soldier. (We would ask this editor if by meeting every danger in the field of battle, as did Bonaparte, he would not be sure to have him run his head against an enemy's bayonet for the sake of dying in a battle?)

At length, after a career of insolent pretensions on one hand, and of strange ungovernable curiosity on the other, the departure of this disturber of the world has taken place. An express arrived on Thursday night, conveying the Bellerophon to meet the Northumberland in the Channel, which ship sailed yesterday accompanied by the Tonant and Eucrota. The Telegraph was at work all day, and report states, that it transmitted an order for the ships not to proceed further than the offing, but to wait the arrival of the Northumberland, which is hourly expected. A number of persons, disposed to follow him (Bonaparte's), (fortunes accompanied him to England, but were subsequently separated from him. And it is said, furthermore, none of them would be allowed to attend him in his exile.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO.

#### STILL THEY COME.

We are informed that a bargain was formed and closed on Saturday for a large piece of ground adjoining west of Pembroke Lake, just opposite the new silk factory, Messrs. Sherman, Hartley & Graham, the largest manufacturers and importers of military goods in the city of New York, doing an extensive business in Maiden Lane in that city, are the purchasers, and rumor has it that they propose manufacturing cartridges, etc. in the new factory, which is to be constructed at an early day. They will have a frontage of 500 feet and their lot goes back to Barnum street. (The factory above alluded to is the present one known as the Remington-U. S. plant on Barnum avenue. It was originally started by the Hartley family, millionaire cartridge manufacturers of New York city. The largest stockholder in the plant, John U. M. C. plant, Marcellus Hartley Dodge, is a descendant from the Hartley family and from that source he derived the middle name of Hartley. He is also a son-in-law of John D. Rockefeller.)

#### HORSE RAILROAD BRIDGE.

Workmen are now engaged in driving piles on the north side of Noble bridge, with the assistance of the steam pile driver, for a bridge to be used for the Horse Railroad, in passing from East Bridgeport to this side of the river.

#### THE NEW POOR HOUSE.

It is now rapidly assuming a habitable shape. The walls are all up and the boarding for the roofing all on, so that the building is already ready to be occupied. The carpenter and mason work has been done in an admirable manner under the supervision of Messrs. Thomas Hayes and Gansby.

#### FIRST FROST.

The Herald says the first frost of the season visited Winsted on Wednesday, the 20th. Tobacco has been gathered for a week or more.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO.

#### GRIEVED HIMSELF TO DEATH.

The death of Frank Callahan's pet lion Leo, a few days ago, is another illustration of the strong attachments characteristic of that animal. Since Leo was a month old—at that time he was called "Maud"—he has enjoyed the companionship of a handsome Mexican dog they played together, ate together (Leo getting the lion's share), and slept together. Their joint bed was in a closet in Mrs. Callahan's closet. Their playground was in the backyard, except when they made their escape together and ran races on John street.

Two weeks ago Mr. Callahan was driving some young pigeons from the top of a neighbor's house in their coops in his yard. He threw a stick at the pigeons and it hit the Mexican dog on the head. He never recovered from the blow and died three days later. The death of the dog had a strange effect on his lion companion. He moped and lost his playfulness. The first day after the dog's death Leo was in the backyard, but was continually looking and hunting for his missing friend.

The cat did not please him and he gave up the sport. The once lively animal had become a bygone and for no evident reason save that he mourned the absence of his canine playmate. The second day found him again moping. He no longer attempted to gambol—everything failed to revive his interest in life. The third day he died. His autopsy revealed no physical disease, he simply died of grief.

Leo was only six and a half months old, but he had already assumed noble proportions, weighing 175 pounds. His mane showed considerable development.

#### MRS. ANN MOONEY.

Very impressive indeed were the funeral services at St. Augustine's church this morning over the remains of the late Mrs. Ann Mooney, mother of Tax Collector Frank J. Mooney. The edifice was well filled with mourners and friends of the deceased. The funeral cortege left the late home of the deceased at James street and Calhoun avenue, at 8:45 and thence to St. Augustine's a quarter of an hour later.

The pall bearers were Judge Patrick Kane, Sergeant Patrick Kane, Patrolman Patrick Burn, Peter Corr, John E. Carey and James H. Doran. The solemn high requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. D. J. Cremin, assisted by Father William Blake, deacon, Father Fitzsimmons, sub-deacon, and Father Burke as master of ceremonies. The funeral cortege was one of the largest ever held in this city. Interment was in the family plot in St. Michael's cemetery.

#### FINN AND TIGHE HELD UP.

Conductor Fred Finn and Motor-man Tighe, of the Traction Co., had quite an experience about 1:30 this morning. They were on their way home from the East End stables and were passing along Stratford avenue near Pembroke street when three men jumped in front of them. Conductor Finn jumped to one side and was just preparing to defend himself when they discovered that the newcomers were policemen. Thus assured that he was not to be sandbagged by highwaymen, he asked what was meant by such an interruption.

It developed, however, that the policemen had been detailed to locate two hold-up men and they at first believed that Finn and Tighe were the men in question. Everything turned out all right and "nobody was hurt."

#### THE LOCAL RETAIL MARKETS.

Beef—Porterhouse, 14 to 25c; loin, 12 to 20c; round, 8 to 16c; shoulder, 8 to 12c; rib roast, 12 to 20c; chuck, 8 to 14c; corned beef, 5 to 10c; stew, 3 to 8c. The market is stocked with cheap beef and it is hard to get cattle.

Veal—Cutlets, 12 to 24c; loin, 10 to 12c; rack, 8 to 12c; stew, 6 to 12c; calf's liver, 20c per pound. Native veal is scarce. Sweetbreads are 40 to 50c.

Mutton—Leg, 10 to 15c; rack, 10 to 12c; stew, 2 to 4c per pound. Lamb—Leg, 12 to 16c; rack, 14c; stew, 4 to 8c per pound.

Native chickens—Young, 20c; fowl, 18c per pound. Western frozen chickens, 8 to 10c per pound.

#### PROCURES LEASE.

John Brown, the well known painter, has leased Chris McGuire's new house on Williston street and moved into it.

### PRINCETON YOUTH DROPS DEAD DURING ANNUAL CANE RUSH

#### Stockton Wells Succumbs As Classes Clash At "Gym" Door.

Princeton, N. J., Sept. 25.—An attack of heart disease in the thick of the annual freshman-sophomore rush at Princeton University yesterday afternoon was responsible for the death of Stockton Wells, of Madison, N. J., a member of the entering class at Princeton.

As a result of the death of the youth a halt was called to the proceedings, and the senior council of the university, which is made up of students of the senior class, decided to abandon the annual cane rush which was to be held this evening. In the rush in which the death occurred the second year men were stationed before the entrance of the gymnasium to prevent the freshmen from entering a building to select their class officers. The entering men "rushed" the sophomores defending the entrance and the attacking freshmen had just struck the first line of second year men when Wells, who was near the head of the freshmen, was seen to stumble and fall. He was picked up and carried to a room in the gymnasium, where medical attention was given by Dr. Raycroft, of the university, and four other of the medical profession who happened to be on hand watching the struggle between the two classes.

Frank Sullivan, the swimming expert at Princeton, who is considered to be the most adept in the country at artificial respiration, assisted the physicians, who worked over the youth nearly two hours before they pronounced him dead. An examination of the body failed to reveal any injuries except a slight scratch over the hip which could not have had anything to do with the death. Wells had not been strong since childhood and on numerous occasions had been seized with illnesses which affected the heart.

The youth had prepared for Princeton at the Newark Academy, where he was considered one of the brightest students in his class. His mother, Mrs. C. W. Wells, of Madison, N. J., was notified and immediately came to Princeton to take charge of the body. His father died six months ago. As a result of the death the rushes arranged for next week have been cancelled and there is a likelihood that these annual tussles will be abolished.

#### "Dry" Campaign At Milford To Begin With Lecture Sunday

Milford, Conn., Sept. 25.—Milford's prohibition campaign will open on Sunday when the "Drama of Drink" a strong argument for the "drys" will be delivered in lecture form at the Colonial theatre by Dr. Alexander Cairns, a noted platform orator. The Milford band has been employed to aid in the prohibition movement and a vigorous campaign is expected.

#### POINTS OF INTEREST

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King George approved the anti-treating proclamation recently drafted and presented to him at the session of the Privy Council.

## EIGHT ARE SHOT IN STREET ROW; TWO ARRESTED

Akron, O., Sept. 25.—Eight men were shot, one seriously, in a street fight early today. Two men have been arrested. John Justice, aged 45, has a bullet in his head and has lost one eye. He is in a hospital. Those under arrest are Paul Harkins, 19, a rubber worker who is charged with shooting with intent to kill, and Harry Douglas, held for inquiry for carrying concealed weapons. Douglas is also wounded.

Harkins was captured by a squad of police who fought their way to the basement of a house near the scene of the trouble where Harkins had barricaded himself with a shot gun. Those shot, in addition to Justice and Douglas, are: Lawrence Conklin, William Hassig, Clarence Routman, Jefferson Root, Charles Root and Charles Adams.

Police claim that Harkins, Douglas and Lester Justice, a son of John Justice, engaged in an argument in the street which led to a fight.

#### SCIENCE MAY DEVOTE STUDIES TO MILITARY AIMS AT CLOSE OF WAR

Manchester, England, Sept. 25.—Prof. Arthur Schuster, a man with a German name and born and educated in Germany, presided at the annual meeting here of the British Association, a society that includes in its membership all of the distinguished men of science of Great Britain. He won the presidency of this distinguished body against an agitation by a part of the press. But as Professor is of Jewish blood, his family were never Prussian subjects and his father was a naturalized Briton, the agitation did not stir up the lay public to any extent, and his brother scientists considered him entitled to the honor.

In a recent interview, Professor Schuster said that if the present war ended in a stalemate, militarism would be fixed on all of Europe and science would be turned from its legitimate aims for the invention of new engines of destruction. He believed the ravaging of scientists into political and commercial life proved an evil for Germany. This drew her best minds away from pure research. While Germany excelled in working out the practical ends of science, the great revolution in science did not originate in that country.

If the war ends in such a way as to encourage the nations to believe that they will sooner or later be at war again," he said, "materialistic aims, I am afraid, will overshadow the idealistic aspects of science."

#### CROWN PRINCE'S NEW PALACE IN BERLIN NEARING COMPLETION

Berlin, Sept. 25.—The splendid country residence for the Crown Prince on the Jungfernsee, a broad arm of the Havel at Potsdam, has now been completed in the rough and will be ready for occupancy by next spring. The erection of the palace was rendered necessary, it is explained, by reason of the increase in the Prince's family. The Emperor supplied the money for building it, and it will remain the property of the Crown, to become the residence of future Crown Princes.

The palace is really a group of buildings centering upon not less than five courts and covering about 12,000 square yards. There are apartments for the Crown Prince himself, then for the Crown Prince and children; others for the officials of his court, and still others for the servants. Not less than four approaches for vehicles will be made—one for members of the royal family, which leads into the court of honor, a second for guests and the court officials, a third for the children of the royal couple, and a fourth for trades people and servants. The buildings will be surrounded by spacious grounds, partly terraced; there will be two so-called rose gardens, and these, as well as the rest of the establishment, will give beautiful views over the Havel lakes. The buildings are rather low and of simple outlines, with high roofs covered with red tiles. The palace will be just a good modern house, with an abundance of room and with modern comforts, which are rather scarce in the older palaces of Germany. There will be, for example, not less than 20 bath rooms.

#### RECORD NUMBER OF AUTO LICENSES TO BE ISSUED.

About 50,000 operators' licenses have been issued by the state automobile department and the total receipts of the department for the year which ends Thursday, September 30, are estimated at \$500,000, or about 25 per cent. more than the previous year and a little more than the increase two years ago. The registration of pleasure vehicles is 31,827, against 24,318 last year. The work of the department goes steadily on in Connecticut as elsewhere and the indications are that a larger force of clerks will be necessary to care for the future business and some change will be required to give more elbow room in the department.

The Bank Steamship line of London will enter the San Francisco-Orient trade shortly with a line of freighters.

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Paris, Sept. 25.—The allied chancelleries were not surprised at the action of Bulgaria, according to the Petit Parisien, which usually is well informed on diplomatic subjects. The quadruple entente powers representatives are said to have been conferring during the past week as to the best means of acting with a maximum of force in the Balkans as they attached little faith to the declarations of Premier Radslavoff. They now are in a position to strike should the necessity arise, it is asserted. Premier Venizelos, of Greece, the Petit Parisien's Rome correspondent says, has affirmed the necessity for an agreement between Greece, Roumania and Serbia in order to force the Bulgarian government to consider carefully the possible results before it takes positive action.

The people who kicked on that hot September weather that ripened up the corn crop, would be the same ones who would kick on high prices for corn products if the crop had been spoiled by cold.

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### BULGARIA HESITATES ON BRINK OF WARFARE

Rome, Sept. 25.—Although it is admitted Bulgarian mobilization is a significant act capable of precipitating hostilities with Serbia, it is thought here events still may prevent Bulgaria from embarking upon so perilous an enterprise.

Reports received from Bucharest indicate that the Bulgarian mobilization order is considered in Roumania to presage hostilities. It is said that impressive anti-German manifestations there have resulted in the Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwarin, personal representative of Emperor William hastening his departure for Berlin.

### ALLIES' LOAN AGENTS TAKE HALF HOLIDAY

New York, Sept. 25.—The commission who hope to arrange the half billion credit here for Great Britain and France, observed the half-holiday today after a brief session and prepared to leave the city over Sunday.

Before the next half-holiday rolls around, it was the general expectation of bankers today, an agreement will have been reached over the details of the proposed loan. Tentative proposals apparently fix the credit at \$500,000,000.

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